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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Confirmation No.: Unknown

GIROUARD et al.

Group Art Unit: 3618

Appln. No.: 09/472,134

Examiner: Anne Marie Boehler

Filed: December 23, 1999

Title: SNOWMOBILE

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AMENDMENT

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 22, 2002, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 9, first full paragraph, please delete this paragraph in its entirety and replace it with the following:

A drive track 120, which is operatively connected to the engine, is positioned below frame 114. Drive track 120 is a continuous belt that runs around a number of axles including a forward-most axle 121 that is obscured by fairings 122 in FIG. 2 (but is illustrated in FIGS. 5-18). Forward-most axle 121 of snowmobile 110 is at or near the center of gravity 144 of snowmobile 110 with the rider, as would be understood by those skilled in the art. Further

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5-18). Forward-most axle 121 of snowmobile 110 is at or near the center of gravity 144 of
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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: May 22, 2002

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim	For B & C See Required Separate Paper (Pat-256)	
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B. <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn		
C. <input type="checkbox"/> made herewith		
D. <input type="checkbox"/> made previously		

	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
2. Total Effective Claims	82	**minus	87	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0 103/203
3. Independent Claims	29	***minus	27	2	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$168 102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application)			add	+ \$280/\$140 =	+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date: April 22, 2002	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE					
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached	(1 mo)	\$110/\$55 =				115/215
	(2 mos)	\$400/\$200 =	+ \$110			116/216
	(3 mos)	\$920/\$460 =				117/217
	(Usable only for ≤ 2mo.OA --- 4 mos)	\$1,440/\$720=				118/218
	(Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA --- 5 mos)	\$1,960/\$980=				128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract			- \$0			
8.				Extension Fee	+ \$110	
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee		+ \$110/\$55	+ \$0			148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c),	add	+ \$180	+ \$0			126
or if Rule 97(d) Request	add	+ \$180	+ \$0			126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)		+ \$740/370	+ \$0			146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b).....		x \$740/370 ea	+ \$0			149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		+ \$740/370	+ \$0			1179/1279
14. Petition fee for			+ \$0			
15.				TOTAL FEE =	\$278	
16. *If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".						
17. **If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.						
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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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